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 Y. Kanasashi et al.)
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 For: PUNCH DEVICE))
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 Serial No.: 10/590,259))
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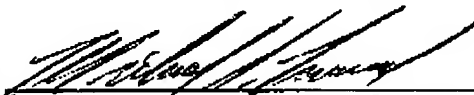
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Applicant(s): Y. Kanasashi et al.					
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Invention: PUNCH DEVICE					
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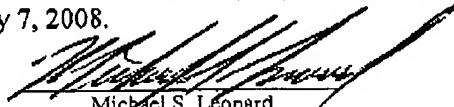
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Michael S. Leonard**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This Response is submitted in response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 8, 2008. The Office Action entered a restriction requirement between the following groups of inventions.

Group I, claim 3, drawn to a punch device with a special technical feature of a guide wall.

Group II, claim 4, drawn to a punch device with a special technical feature of a holding portion.

Group III, claims 5-8, drawn to a punch device with a special technical feature of specific positioning tool configuration.

In response, Applicant elects Group III, claims 5-8, drawn to a punch device with a special technical feature of specific positioning tool configuration. The Office Action states that claims 1 and 2 will be examined with the elected group.

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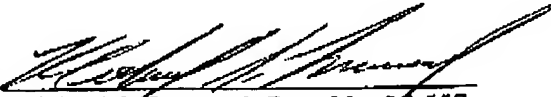
Applicants submit that the patent application is in condition for allowance and request a Notice of Allowance be issued.

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